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**New U.S. Patent Application**

**Title: SIMULATION CIRCUIT PATTERN EVALUATION METHOD,  
MANUFACTURING METHOD OF SEMICONDUCTOR INTEGRATED  
CIRCUIT, TEST SUBSTRATE, AND TEST SUBSTRATE GROUP**

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Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

1. Application - 31 pages, including 4 independent claims and 22 claims total.
2. Drawings - 10 sheets of formal drawings containing 16 figures - (Figures 1-5).
3. Certified copy of Japanese Application No. 2003-344526, filed October 2, 2003.
4. Information Disclosure Statement and Information Disclosure Citation, PTO 1449 with 2 documents attached.
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional filing fees due and any other fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or §1.17 during the pendency of this application to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

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